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SUBJECT: SPECIAL SUMMARY NUMBER 5: TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY

1.RHODESIA: VORSTER AND KAUNDA WILL MEET AT VICTORIA
FALLS

SOUTH AFRICAN PRIME MINISTER JOHN VORSTER AND ZAMBIAN
PRESIDENT KENNETH KAUNDA WILL BOTH ATTEND THE AUGUST 25
OPENING SESSION OF TALKS ON THE FUTURE OF RHODESIA. THE
ANNOUNCEMENT:

--RAISED HOPES THAT SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS WOULD BE ACHIEVED
AT THE MEETING, AND AN EARLY BREAKDOWN AVOIDED;

--WAS VIEWED AS A "TREMENDOUS BREAKTHROUGH" FOR VORSTER
IN SOUTH AFRICA'S CAMPAIGN TO WIN FRIENDS AMONG BLACK
AFRICAN STATES.

MEANWHILE, RHODESIAN PRIME MINISTER IAN SMITH'S RECENT
PUBLIC THREAT TO EMBARK ON A "NEW COURSE" IF THE TALKS

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FAIL WAS BEING INTERPRETED VARIOUSLY IN LUSAKA:

--THE ZAMBIA SUNDAY TIMES SAW SMITH AS IMPLYING A STEPPED-UP ANTI-GUERILLA CAMPAIGN IN NORTHEASTERN RHODESIA.

--THE UK HIGH COMMISSIONER SPECULATED THAT SMITH IS HINTING HE WILL STEP DOWN RATHER THAN TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE INEVITABILITY OF MAJORITY RULE.

EMBASSY LUSAKA REPORTS THAT THE BRITISH VIEW FITS IN WITH REPORTS THAT SMITH'S STANDING WITH VORSTER IS DECLINING.

2. YEMEN: COUP RUMORS UNFOUNDED

AN AUGUST 18 REPORT IN THE HERALD TRIBUNE OF AN ALLEGED PLOT TO OVERTHROW YAR COMMAND COUNCIL CHAIRMAN HAMDI IS UNFOUNDED ACCORDING TO EMBASSY SANA, BUT IS REMARKABLY SIMILAR TO A STORY OUR AMBASSADOR PICKED UP FROM THE SOVIET CHARGE. AMBASSADOR RANSOM BELIEVES THE SOVIETS MAY HAVE LEAKED THE STORY TO TRY TO CREATE AN APPEARANCE OF VULNERABILITY ON HAMDI'S PART AND TO COMPLICATE SAUDI/YARG GOOD RELATIONS.

3. QATAR GRANTS LOAN TO EGYPT

EMBASSY DOHA REPORTS THAT THE GOQ HAS ANNOUNCED SIGNING A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT IN ECONOMICS AND FINANCE WITH EGYPT AND GRANTING EGYPT A LONG-TERM LOAN, WITH AMOUNT AND TERMS AS YET UNDISCLOSED. EGYPT'S REPRESENTATIVE, AUB ISMAEL, WAS QUOTED AUGUST 23 AS STATING THAT EGYPT NEEDED THE MONEY TO:

--RELIEVE ITS FINANCIAL CONDITIONS; AND

--PAY OFF ITS DEBT TO THE SOVIET UNION.

4. SAUDI ARABIA: VIEWS ON PREPCON

EMBASSY JIDDA HAS LEARNED FROM ABDUL AZIZ QURAISHI, GOVERNOR OF THE SAUDI ARABIAN MONETARY AGENCY, THAT HE DOES NOT BELIEVE FOURTH COMMISSION ACTIVITY IS A
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PRODUCER/CONSUMER CONFERENCE WOULD OR SHOULD TAKE UP MATTERS WHICH WOULD PROPERLY BE ADDRESSED BY IMF OR IBRD BODIES ALREADY CONSIDERING INTERNATIONAL MONETARY AND FINANCIAL REFORM. QURAISHI SEEMS TO BELIEVE THE FOURTH COMMISSION:

--SHOULD NOT SIMPLY BE A DEVICE FOR REALIGNING THE WORLD'S FINANCIAL SYSTEM IN FAVOR OF THE LDC'S;

--WOULD PROVIDE PROTECTION FOR SAUDI INVESTMENTS IN BOTH THE INDUSTRIALIZED AND THE DEVELOPING NATIONS.

EMBASSY COMMENT: QURAISHI'S VIEW INDICATES THE OPEC/LDC REPRESENTATIVES TO THE PREPCON MAY BE FAR FROM AGREED ABOUT THE ACTUAL SUBJECTS FOR DISCUSSION OR ULTIMATE POSITIONS IN THE FOURTH COMMISSION.

5 LIBYA ANNEXES CHADIAN DISTRICT

A LIBYAN ARMY NEWSPAPER REPORTS THAT A DISTRICT OF AOUZOU, UNDER CHAD'S JURISDICTION SINCE A 1955 FRANCO-LIBYAN BORDER AGREEMENT, HAS BEEN ANNEXED BY LIBYA. THE NEWSPAPER ARTICLE COMMENTS:

--"LIBYANS" WERE SHAMEFULLY NEGLECTED UNDER THE OLD REGIME, BUT URGENT MEASURES ARE NOW BEING TAKEN TO PROVIDE THEM WITH GOVERNMENT SERVICES.

--THE 6,000 INHABITANTS NOW FEEL THEY BELONG TO "THE HOMELAND" FOR THE FIRST TIME.

ACCORDING TO EMBASSY TRIPOLI, THIS IS THE FIRST PUBLIC INDICATION OF A FORMAL LIBYAN CLAIM TO THE AREA.

6. PRC: CHIAO COMMENTS ON RELATIONS WITH THE US

PRC FOREIGN MINISTER CHIAO KUAN-HUA STATED TO SENATOR BYRD (WITH CODEL ANDERSON) THAT CHINA COULD WAIT IF THE US HAD PROBLEMS WITH THE NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS. HE ALSO INDICATED THAT, WHILE FORMAL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WOULD NOT HELP TRADE GROW MUCH FASTER, THEY WOULD MAKE
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"QUITE A DIFFERENCE IN CONTACTS AND UNDERSTANDING."
CHIAO FURTHER COMMENTED:

--THE US HAS GOOD RELATIONS WITH MANY ASIAN COUNTRIES, WHICH CHINA HOPES WILL CONTINUE AS AN "EQUAL PARTNERSHIP."

--THE SOVIETS WOULD HAVE DIFFICULTY FILLING THE VOID LEFT IN SOUTHEAST ASIA BY THE US.

--VETOING THE VIETNAMESE APPLICATIONS FOR UN MEMBERSHIP COULD ONLY SERVE TO MAINTAIN THE HOSTILITY OF THE INDO-CHINESE TOWARD THE US.

--US GRAIN SALES TO THE SOVIET UNION AFFECT THE ENTIRE

INTERNATIONAL MARKET AND RESULTING HIGHER PRICES PARTICULARLY HARD ON THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES.

--ALTHOUGH CHINA DISAPPROVES OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF MILITARY BASES ON ANOTHER COUNTRY'S SOIL, IT IS REALISTIC ON DIEGO GARCIA AND RECOGNIZES THAT THE US SHOULD NOT BE EXCLUDED FROM THE INDIAN OCEAN WHEN THE USSR HAS ESTABLISHED A LARGE NUMBER OF COVERT BASES THERE.

7. TAIWAN: HOPES AND CONCERNS

WITH THE TAIWAN ECONOMY RECOVERING FROM A TWO-YEAR RECESSION, OFFICIAL AND PUBLIC INTEREST HAS ONCE AGAIN FOCUSED ON THE POLITICAL SCENE. EMBASSY TAIPEI REPORTS:

--THERE IS A GENERAL BELIEF THAT PRESIDENT FORD, TO JUSTIFY HIS VISIT TO THE PRC LATER THIS YEAR, MAY MAKE CONCESSIONS TO THE DETRIMENT OF THE US/ROC MUTUAL DEFENSE TREATY, ALTHOUGH HE WILL NOT COMPLETELY NORMALIZE RELATIONS WITH PEKING DURING THIS VISIT.

--BUT, ON THE OTHER HAND, MANY ARE PROFESSING TO BELIEVE THAT THE US, HAVING LOST ITS POSITION OF STRENGTH IN SOUTHEAST ASIA, HAS REASSESSED ITS STRATEGIC POSTURE IN THE WESTERN PACIFIC AND NOW SEES TAIWAN AS A KEY LINK
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IN A NEW FORWARD DEFENSE LINE.

ON THE DOMESTIC SCENE THERE IS RENEWED CONCERN THAT:

--SURVIVAL DEPENDS ON TAIWAN BECOMING MORE SELF-RELIANT, AS EVIDENCED BY CONTEMPLATED PLANS TO SHIFT SOME EMPHASIS IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AWAY FROM THE EXPORT INDUSTRIES.
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